



# Penobscot Fly Fishers NEWSLETTER

February 2009

## President's Notes

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The frozen grip that January holds on us each year fails to keep Penobscot Fly Fishers volunteers at home. The annual fly tying class tables are full on thursday evenings with several club members helping team leader Don Corey carry on the art of fly tying. An enthusiastic class of twenty has enjoyed the beginner class with a number of participants taking the class again as a refresher course.

A few club members braved the weekend snow storm to travel to Marlborough, Mass to the Fly Fishing Show. The Cabin Fever Reliever event is lining up to be the biggest ever, so if you can help out, by all means call or e-mail Ernie MacDonald. Member Hank Metcalf has been in touch with the Girl Scouts and our club will be going up country on tuesdays July 7, 14, 21, 28 and Aug 4 to conduct classes.

The January monthly meeting saw 24 folks brave the inclement weather to attend the meeting and hear biologist Richard Dill speak about the Northern Pike research being done on Pushaw Lake.

Alan Gray, President

## Secretary's Notes

Mike would like anyone with a changed or new e-mail account to send him the address at [secretary@penobscotflyfishers.com](mailto:secretary@penobscotflyfishers.com).

Reading the newsletter on the web reduces our newsletter costs and aids communication. Thank you for your help. This will allow a direct e-mail of the newsletter and an e-mail reminder of the meetings.

## Beginners Fly Tying

February 5 will be week 5 of the current beginners fly tying course. On week 1 the 20 eager students learned to tie the only fly that creator Alvin Theriault says you will ever need, the Maple Syrup. Week 2 had Joe Bertolaccini tying one of his favorites, the Joe's Smelt. The second fly that week was a Black Ghost Marabou. Week 3 started with finishing up the Black Ghost and the second fly of the night was the Black Nosed Dace. Joe Beaulieu

demonstrated a Peeking Caddis on week 4 and Don Corey tied a caddis larvae.

On week 5, February 5, Don will demonstrate a Blue Winged Olive and Ron Carr will dazzle the crowd with a Parachute Adams. Week 6 (Feb 12) will be saltwater night. There will be 2 flies tied that evening, one of which will be a Clouser Minnow. Week 7 (Feb 19) will be bass fly night with Don tying a foam popper and Bob Blatz tying his famous Mickey Finn Woolly Bugger. Week 8 will feature Mike Curtis tying a hair-wing Atlantic Salmon fly.

## Cabin Fever Reliever Show Program

The club's annual Cabin Fever Show will be held on Saturday, February 28 and Sunday March 1 at the world famous Brewer Auditorium. Doors will be open on Saturday from 10 am to 5 pm and on Sunday from 10 am to 3 pm. Grab a friend and come on over, there is no cost for admission and there will be a plethora of door prizes. For more information about the show and for the speaker schedule please visit the show website at:

<http://www.cabinfeverreliever.com/>

## Advanced Saltwater Fly Tying Class

The Penobscot Fly Fishers are proud to announce that they will be offering a Saltwater Fly Tying Class on Sunday, March 29 at the world famous Brewer Auditorium. The instructor for the day will be none other than Joe Calcavechiaa from south of the border (New Hampshire). Joe is an accomplished fly tyer/instructor who teaches at Eldredge Brothers Fly Shop in Cape Neddick among other locations. He recently tied at The Fly Fishing Show in Somerset New Jersey and has tied for many years at The Fly Fishing Show in Marlborough, MA.

As more information becomes available, the club website will be updated. This will be a day long event with several patterns being taught. This is an event that you will not want to miss. The fee for the course will be \$35 and will cover all materials, hooks and any special thread. Students will be expected to bring their tying vise, tools, and light if needed. Class size will be limited.

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